



Dream Big, Aim High
& Make a Difference

Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This time last week the majority of pupils in Years 3 & 4 were getting incredibly excited about the 'school sleepover' which took place on Friday night. When they were collected by parents early the next day the children reported that they'd had a great time and whilst we didn't get the full 12 hours sleep that I had hoped for, the children were impeccably behaved and really did enjoy the opportunity to mix with their friends before falling asleep in classrooms. These experiences wouldn't be possible without staff giving up their time so a big thank you to everyone who volunteered to sleep on the floor for an evening!

No sooner had the children returned to school after the long weekend on Tuesday, but we were showing yet another group of 'Prospective Parents' around the school. It is always wonderful to share the success of the school but once again we received a wide range of positive comments about the behaviour of pupils together with how engaged they were with their learning; long may that continue!

Similar compliments were made about our youngest children on Wednesday following their visit to the Frogmore Day Care Centre next door. All pupils will get the opportunity to perform to the elderly residents over the next few weeks as we approach Christmas but it is wonderful to see the smiles on the faces of the residents as they watch the children perform their festive songs and you realise the positive impact this has on them.

Sporting success has been mixed for our school this week as Wednesday saw a group of Year 5 boys take part in a dodgeball tournament where they not only showed our values of responsibility and teamwork, but also kindness as some of them played for another team who didn't have enough players! By winning 5 games out of 7 they also showed they could play a bit too! Our girls football team started their campaign in a strikingly similar fashion to the boys team a few weeks ago; they too got off to a flying start against St Josephs and took an early lead through a goal from Eyla, but despite showing real resilience and everyone giving 100%, they eventually lost 3-1 on a very wet Thursday afternoon. However, there is a strong foundation to build on for the league campaign ahead.

Have a lovely weekend.

Diary Dates

December 2024

Tuesday 10th & Wednesday 11th – PTA Elfridges
Thursday 12th – Nile & Thames Class to Milestones Museum
Thursday 12th – Onyx Class to Winchester Science Museum
Monday 16th – YR, 1&2 Christmas Performance @ 2.15pm
Tuesday 17th – YR, 1&2 Christmas Performance @ 9.15am
Tuesday 17th – Y5&6 Christmas Performance @ 2.15pm
Wednesday 18th – Y5&6 Christmas Performance @ 9.15am
Wednesday 18th – Y3&4 Christmas Performance @ 2.15pm taking place at St Peter's Church, Yateley
Thursday 19th – PTA Christmas Fundraising Dress-up
Friday 20th – PHPS Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day
Friday 20th – Last day of term

January 2025

Monday 6th – INSET Day – SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 7th – Pupils return to school
Wednesday 8th – Prospective Parents Tour @ 9.30am
Wednesday 15th – Onyx Class Artist Workshop
Wednesday 15th – Amazon Class to Marwell Zoo
Thursday 16th – Danube Class to Butser Farm
Friday 17th – Y6 Railway Safety Workshop
Thursday 23rd – PTA 'The Little Recyclers' (clothes donations)

Celebration

These pupils are being celebrated this week in class.

Lunchtime Supervisor Nomination: Max W

Class	Lead Learner	Star of the Week	Weekly Attendance*
Nile	Maya D	Fearne M	99.04%
Thames	Tilly B	Oliver GO	98.75%
Amazon	Julius D	Riley H	93.75%
Danube	Erin A	Anaya C	100%
Yangtze	Sophia S	Kaelyn T	95.87%
Onyx	Nathan P	Elsie-Lou D	99.17%
Orinoco	Lilah P	Sienna G	90.48%
Zambezi	Robyn H	Sienna L	96.05%

*Highest weekly class attendance in bold print

This week's Potley Points results are:

Raducanu – 149 Williamson – 134

Peacock - 169 Farah – 165

Timestable Rockstars:

Most Active – Yangtze Class

Most Improved – Orinoco Class

Community Orchard Planting

As many of you walked home from school yesterday afternoon you will (hopefully) have noticed that the bottom field looks strikingly different to how it did yesterday morning. With 50 fruit trees together with approximately 200 metres of hedgerow having been planted and over two tonnes of mulch deposited (by children) over the planting area, the orchard is starting to take shape as we prepare for the 50th celebrations of our Frogmore Campus next spring. With all organisations on the campus playing a role in the planting together with a further 6 Hampshire based organisations having been involved in the project so far, I thought the focus of the area was the word orchard, but actually it has been the community aspect. It was great that all children in school yesterday were able to play a role in the creation of the orchard and I am sure they will all look forward to watching it grow over the months and years ahead!

A big thank you to all the organisations and volunteers who made it happen!

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Please collect from the gate halfway up the playground at 4.15pm for:

Art Club Recorders
Board Games Space Club

Please collect from outside the school office at 4.15pm for:

Cooking Club

Please collect from outside the school office at 4pm for:

Picture Book Club

Please collect from Zambezi class door at 4.15pm for:

Year 6 Girls Booster Club

MONDAY

Year 1 & 2 Art Club (max 12)
Mrs Wilson & Mrs Watson - Amazon

Year 6 Girls Booster (invite only)
Miss Miles/Mrs Richards - Zambezi/Orinoco

Judo 4 Juniors
School Hall Years 1 - 6

[Click here](#) for more information

Tuesday

Year 5 Cooking Club (max 8)
Mrs Kent & Mrs Wetherill - Food tech
Second Half-term only

WEDNESDAY

Year 1 & 2 Board Games (max 16)
Mrs Leighton - Amazon class

KS2 Recorder Club (max 20)
Mrs Wilding - Music room

THURSDAY

Years 1 & 2 Picture Book Club
Mrs Wallace & Miss Miles (invite only) -
Zambezi/Amazon

KS2 Space Club (max 21)
Mrs Smith - Danube

THE PTA PRESENTS

ELFRIDGES GIFT SHOP

AT POTLEY HILL SCHOOL 10-11TH DECEMBER

Your child can visit the shop to buy lovely gifts for the family. The elves will help with wrapping & labelling

Gifts available for: parents, grandparents, carers, other family and children age 4-11

**£3.50
A GIFT**

**TICKETS MUST BE
PURCHASED BY 9AM
7TH DECEMBER**

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/potleyhillpta>

or scan the QR code



All gifts purchased help us raise money for the school playground. Thank you!

Potley Hill Primary School menu October 2024 to April 2025 - £3.20 per meal

Daily Jacket Potato with choice of cheese/baked beans/tuna mayo filling and hot tomato pasta will also be on offer each day. These choices are in addition to the main menu options below.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 16 th Dec, 20 th Jan, 10 th Feb, 10 th Mar	Veggie Bolognese pasta	Vegetarian sausage roll with crinkle cut wedges	Homemade Margherita pizza	Plant based sausage and Yorkshire pudding roast potatoes & gravy	Somerset cheddar cheese and onion quiche
	Chicken katsu curry with brown & white rice	Ham carbonara with pasta	Sticky honey glazed chicken with brown & white rice	Sliced beef with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes & gravy	Fish fingers with chips and beans
	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad
	Shortbread	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Rice crispy cake	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Ginger sponge
Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 2 nd Dec, 6 th & 27 th Jan 24 th Feb, 17 th Mar	Plant based hotdog with half portion of diced potatoes	Roasted vegetable lasagne	Homemade Margherita pizza	Quorn pieces in a Yorkshire pudding roast potatoes & gravy	Sweet potato and lentil curry with brown and white rice
	Chicken curry with brown and white rice	Pork sausages with mashed potatoes & gravy	Bubble salmon and crinkle cut wedges	Sliced chicken with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes & gravy	Fish fingers with chips and beans
	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad
	Chocolate Pudding	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Honey biscuit	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Lemon drizzle sponge
Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/c 9 th Dec, 13 th Jan, 3 rd Feb, 3 rd & 24 th Mar	Macaroni cheese	Veggie cottage pie	Homemade Margherita pizza	Quorn and pastry crown	Cheese and potato frittata
	Beef chilli con carne with brown and white rice and tortilla chip	Chicken nuggets with diced potatoes	Vegetable and bean burrito	Sliced pork with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes & gravy	Fish fingers with chips and baked beans
	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad	All served with Vegetable of the day or salad
	Chocolate brownie	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Jammy shortbread biscuit	Fruit, mousse or jelly	Toffee apple sponge